Society Rules & Regulations, the setting up of Sainik Schools is contingent to the State Government committing to provide necessary finances (capital and recurring expenditure). The Government of Bihar has not given such a commitment.

Multi Role Transport Aircraft

3378. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the work on the design and development of the Multi Role Transport Aircraft by HAL Ltd., and a Russian Consortium has reached an advanced stage; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI KRJSHNAMRAJU): (a) and (b)No, Sir. The work on the design and development of Multi Role Transport Aircraft (MTA) has not yet started. A Heads of Agreement has been signed between HAL and Russian entities to jointly prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) to establish the viability of the MTA Project.

Bharat Earth Movers Limited

3379. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether public sector Bharat Earth Movers Limited (BEML) has shown all-round progress and improvements during the recent years;

(b) if so.the details of the turn-over as well as profits earned by the Company during 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-2000 and projected turn-over and profit for 2001-2002;

(c) the details of the specilized supplies made to Coal India Limited, Railways and foreign countries during the aforesaid period;

(d) whether the Company has recently embarked upon the cost efficient methods of its products and also production of specialized equipment for Disaster Management Programmes; and

(e) if so, the success achievement in this regared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI KRJSHNAMRAJU): (a) and (b) The details of turn over and profit earned by Bharat Earth Movers Limited during the last four years and projected turnover and profit for the current year are as follows:—

Year	Sale (Rs. in crore)	Profit Before Tax (PBT) (Rs. in crore)
1997-1998	1259.71	16.05
1998-1999	1212.62	2.72
1999-2000	1317.09	23.60
2000-2001	1347.40	10.26 (Provisional)
2001-2002	154739	22.77 (Projected)

Except for 1998-99, the company has shown overall progress during this period.

(c) The details of supplies made by the BEML to Coal companies, Railways and foreign countries during the period 1997-1998 to 2000-2001 are as under:—

	Rs. (in crore)
Coal companies	2368.90
Railways	206.00
Foreign Countries	132.10

This includes special supplies such as Rope Shovel, 120-T Diesel Electric Rear Dump Trucks and Walking Dragline to Coal India, Rail Bus, DC Electric Multiple Units (EMU), AC Electric Multiple Units, Tower Wagon to Railways and earth moving equipment and spares to foreign countries.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Prototypes of specialized equipment for disaster management such as Concrete Shearer, Breaker, Hammer, Radio Controlled Dozer for removal of debris, presently under development in BEML, are expected to be available for user trials during 2002-2003.

Pakistani Attack on Kargil

3380. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan has again attacked on Kargil on 20th July 2001;

(b) if so, the details of the loss suffered by the country;

(c) whether the intelligence of Indian Army was not in a position at all to locate such an action of Pakistani army;

(d) if so, the reasons for not taking timely action; and

(e) the steps taken to strengthen intelligence wing to protect borders of the country?